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SUBJECT: U.S. FIRMS INTEREST IN EXPLORATION SERVICE CONTRACTS

REF: BAGHDAD 0460

1. SINE INOC INVITED SERVICE CONTRACT BIDS FOR SIX OIL EXPLORATION BLONKS AT LEAST THREE AMERICAN FIRMS HAVE COME TO BAGHDAD TO EXAMINE DATA; SUN OIL, ATLANTIC RICHFIELD, AND PETROMER TREND OF DENVER. ALL ARE CONCERNED BY PROBLEM MENTIONED IN REFTTEL THAT INOC TERMS MAKE THEM INELIGIBLE FOR U.S. FOREIGN TAX CREDITS AN OIL DEPLETION ALLOWANCE.

2. AS FAR AS I HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DETERMINE INOC IS STICKING WITH PETROBRAS FORULA (MEES OF AUGUST 11, 1972), BUT MIGHT REVISE IT IN ITS OWN FAVOR IF DEMAND IS SUFFICIENT.

3. CFP REP TOLD ME THAT INOC HOLDING BACK MOST PROMISING AREAS FOR ITSELF, BUT HE THOUGHT IT WOULD OFFER SOME IN NEAR FUTURE BECAUSE ITS CAPABILITY LIMITED AND FULLY UTILIZED. HE ALSO
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POINTED OUT THAT INOC HAS YET TO INVEST ITS OWN MONEY IN

EXPLORATION AND WHEN AND IF IT DOES SO, IT MIGHT WELL RESULT
IN CHANGE IN ATTITUDE TOWARD ROLE PLAYED BY INTERNATIONAL OIL
COMPANIES.
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